

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – AREA BOARD 2
FAR NORTHERN COORDINATING COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
JOINT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Meeting Minutes for June 23-24, 2011
Gaia Hotel, Anderson

AB2 Members Present: Marie Blair, Stephen Concklin, Rosie Johansen, Verdine Mertens, Jean Phillips (6/23/11), Colleen Ryberg, Steven Sharpe, Leroy Shipp, Larry Stevens, Mike Yalow.

AB2 Members Absent: Debbie Anderson.

AB2 Staff Present: Robin Keehn, AB2 Executive Director; Sarah May, AB2 Community Program Specialist II.

FNCC Members Present: Stephen Bell, Michelle Phillips, Nancy Kitchen, Nicole Bateman, Karen Bither, Ricky Sedillos, Andre Economopoulos, Dorothy Lindauer (6/24/11), Melanie Combes, Paul Adams, Troy Rathburn, Margot Madson.

FNRC Staff Present: Laura Larson, FNRC Executive Director, Cynthia Presidio, Linda Carpenter, Mike Mintline, Mary Ann Weston, Diana Anderson (6/23/11), Janice Clarkson, Judy Kruse, and Kay Cullis.

Family Advisory Committee: Ronda Dever.

Facilitator: Beth Gallagher, Executive Director of Life Works, San Diego.

Public: Robert Kitchen, Lee Ann Huston, Virgil Blair (6/24/11).

1. CALL TO ORDER – June 23, 2011 – 1:03p.m. - Leroy Shipp, *Chair*

A. Introduction All introduced themselves.

B. Announcements Robin reviewed Board member updated binder documents and extra handouts provided. Marie provided highlights from her attendance at June's People First of California conference. Sarah reviewed Board member required paperwork to be collected by 6/24/11.

C. Public Input None.

2. ACTION ITEMS – Leroy Shipp, *Chair

A. Approval of June 23-24 2011 Agenda -

MOTION – That the agenda be approved as written.

M/S/C – M. Yalow/S. Sharpe/ Passed Unanimously

B. Approval of May 12-13, 2011 Minutes -

MOTION – That the minutes be approved as written.

M/S/C – M. Yalow/J. Phillips/Passed Unanimously

C. Approval of 2011-2012 Meeting Calendars -

MOTION – That the 2011-2012 Meeting Calendar be approved as written.

M/S/C – C. Ryberg/J. Phillips/Passed Unanimously

***3. BOARD OFFICE ELECTIONS – All Board Members**

Board members were provided ballots to vote one person for Chair, 1st Vice-Chair, 2nd Vice-Chair, and Secretary. AB2 By-Law procedures regarding Voting, Article V, Section 6, were reviewed. Voting by proxy or absentee ballot is not stated in the By-Laws. Thus, only the votes of Board members present were counted. Election Results: Chair – Steven Sharpe; 1st Vice-Chair – Rosie Johansen; 2nd Vice-Chair – Colleen Ryberg; Secretary – Stephen Concklin.

MOTION – 2011-2012 Slate of new Board Officers be accepted.

M/S/C – L. Stevens/M. Blair/Passed Unanimously

4. JOINT PLANNING SESSION OF AB2 & FNRC BOARDS –

Beth Gallagher, *Life Works*

Beth Gallagher, Executive Director of *Life Works* in San Diego, facilitated a joint planning session on “Dreaming a Future United.” The session focused on: Introduction: Who are you? Why have you given of yourself to be on this Board? What is most important in our system: For individuals we support; for the overall design? How do we know we are making progress towards our vision? How can we move forward when dollars are so tight? How can the two boards work together to achieve mutual goals? Through several interactive activities, the two Boards committed to joint projects including: Media Committee with Mary Ann Weston, facilitator, Rosie Johansen, Marie Blair, Leroy Shipp, members and Mark Bazza recommended, to meet by August 31st; Best Buddies Program with Melissa Gruhler, facilitator, Jean Phillips member to meet by September 30th; and develop a Consumers Speakers Bureau with Beth’s chart noting “Andre 9/30/11”.

Also, Colleen Ryberg agreed to research Parent Support Network agencies in our region. Rhonda Denver agreed to help and report back to AB2 and FNRC’s Family Advisory Committee by September 30, 2011.

Both Boards were so inspired by the day’s activities and plan of action that they agreed to get together annually.

5. RECESS 4:25 P.M. UNTIL 8:30.M. FRIDAY AT Gaia Hotel in Anderson

Get digital photo of chart

List “noted for” key ideas for AB – FNRC

Media Committee to use social networking, Blogs, U-Tube videos, Radio interviews, Community Access TV, newspapers to provide the general public with positive stories about people with disabilities and inspire hero's amongst peers.

Ideas: Here's the News; Hero's among Us; Clip cam; KZFR; videos by consumers; offer videos like the one Theatre In The Now produced for B-Line for other agencies; weekly or monthly news highlights about great things we're doing; anti bully messages; outreach are activities such as the Emergency Prep Fairs to seniors, children and other vulnerable people

Best Buddies Program think goal was to have the program in one town (Redding) Elementary, JR High and High School, key is same age kids together (not like big brother)

Speakers Bureau focus to present to Parents/Service Providers (caretakers think they know everything) about having a dream, not over protecting and self advocacy; Employers (WE Include); General Public – ADA, attitudes, who we are (services/advocacy), attend public hearings/town halls/clubs...Media committee can put them to work!

POSTER

AB2 – Support - Information - Resources - Help People Reach Potential - Voice - Taking the Pulse of the Community

FNRC – People 1st - Taking Risks – Putting the Puzzle Together – Fully Supporting People

Projects – Best Buddies – implemented in schools, Melissa 9/30/11 - Contact Parent Support Network Colleen 9/30/11- Media Committee 8/31/11 - Speakers Bureau Andre 9/30/11